

WERE GROUND
TO DEATHOver Sixty Lives Lost in
Railroad Horror.

ABOUT 30 BADLY HURT

Train On Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Was
Wrecked Last Night Near
Dawson, Pa.

Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 24.—With a terrible crash and a grinding noise, the passenger train from Pittsburgh to New York on the Baltimore & Ohio, plunged into a pile of lumber at Laurel Run, two miles west of Dawson at 7:45 o'clock last evening and it is estimated that fully 60 lives were lost and 30 persons were injured. The train left Pittsburgh last evening running a few minutes late, in charge of Engineer William Thornley of Hazelwood. When passing Laurel Run, which is a particularly bad piece of road bed, the train was running at a high rate of speed. Suddenly the passengers were thrown from their seats by the lightning like application of the air brakes, and a moment later there was a terrible crash.

The train was made up of two baggage cars, two day coaches, one sleeper and one dining car, and was carrying at the time, at the lowest estimate 150 passengers. The train plunged along for a considerable distance and the cars were torn to pieces, passengers jumping, screaming, falling from the wreck as it tore along. Suddenly the engine swerved to the left and the coaches plunged down over the embankment to the edge of the Youghiogheny river.

The minute the cars stopped rolling, there was a wild scene. Many persons were pinned beneath the wreckage and the screams and cries that rent the air were beyond description. Many were injured in their mad excitement and others plunged into the river. Others, pinned beneath the heavy timbers, pleaded in agony for release. So terrific was the force of the wreck that nearly every passenger suffered a moment's unconsciousness, and many of the able-bodied men were unable to assist in helping the injured from the wreck on account of having fainted.

The most of the dead were foreigners who were in the smoker, just back of the baggage car. They were literally roasted to death, the baggage and smoker telescoping the engine and immediately catching fire. Many of the bodies were burned to a crisp. All the dead were taken to the baggage room of the Baltimore & Ohio depot to be removed later to the different undertaking shops in the city. The entire population turned out en masse to assist in caring for the living and in disposing of the dead. A peculiar feature of the accident is the fact that not a woman was seriously injured.

The wreck was caused by the breaking of the castings on a carload of bridge timbers, on a west bound freight train which had passed Laurel Run not more than 15 minutes before the ill-fated passenger train. The wreck occurred on a curve and it was impossible for Engineer Thornley to see far enough ahead to detect the obstruction on the tracks. The big Atlantic-Type engine plunged into the timbers at a velocity of 60 miles an hour.

WM McADOO APPOINTED.

Will be Police Commissioner of New York.

New York, Dec. 23.—Mayor-elect McCallan tonight announced the appointments of former Assistant Secretary of the Navy William McAdoo as police commissioner, Maurice Featherstone as dock commissioner and John C. Hertie and William Harmon Black as commissioners of accounts.

TO START OLNEY BOOM.

Co-operation of New England Democrats to be invited.

Boston, Dec. 23.—Congressman McNary announced tonight that at the meeting of the democratic state committee next Monday he would present a resolution in favor of the candidacy of Richard Olney for president and inviting the co-operation of the democratic party in other New England states.

Burlington's Drunks, Costs, Etc.

Burlington last year under prohibition had only 110 drunks before the courts. This year from May to December the doors of the county jail have closed upon 370. There have been 610 criminals of all sorts locked up in the county jail in the same seven and one-half months.

Burlington's costs in liquor cases for the three months of July, August and September have aggregated \$1,369.35, while she has collected from fines only \$604.53, leaving us with a deficit of \$494.82 for the three months. There have been alternative or forced imprisonments from Burlington in county jail and Rutland work house aggregating 3,028 days, making the state a board bill, at 50 cents a day, of \$1,514, which is at the rate of \$2,400 a year.

Tax payers of the state what shall be our March verdict on saloons? The Rutland Herald sees the force of such court records and is quoting them from St. Johnsbury. The Wine & Spirit News of Ohio says "The police records show" etc. etc. These records tell much but not all. G. W. Morrow. —adv.—

LICENSES REVOKED.

Two Burlington Liquor Sellers Lose Right to Sell.

Burlington, Dec. 24.—Two licenses, one of the second class, and one of the first class, were revoked yesterday by the board of license commissioners. The second class license was Oliver DeVarrennes, who had a place on North street, and the third class license was Thomas E. Lynch, who had a saloon on the corner of North and Champlain streets. They were ordered to cease business at once.

The licenses were revoked because liquor had been sold to William Mumbleau and William Benoit, minors. The boys were arrested for intoxication and during the course of their trials they said they bought the liquor of the above mentioned licensees. Appeals to county court were taken by Messrs. DeVarrennes and Lynch.

MAY START BOOM FOR C. J. BELL

East Side Farmers Think Favorably of Him for Governor.

White River Junction, Dec. 23.—The address of C. J. Bell of Walden, president of the Vermont State Grange at the late meeting of that organization at Rutland, is very favorably mentioned by those who were present. It would not be at all surprising if the farmers in this town who favor the choice of one of their class for governor at the next election should start to boom for Mr. Bell. Outside of the supporters of P. W. Clement for that office, there seemed to be an apathy on the subject until Mr. Bell's name was mentioned.

SEEKS RELIGIOUS HARMONY.

Interdenominational County Commission Meets at Montpelier.

Montpelier, Dec. 23.—The Interdenominational County Commission met at the Young Men's Christian Association rooms today and elected the following officers: President, the Rev. C. H. Merrill of St. Johnsbury; secretary, the Rev. J. A. Newton of St. Albans. The Rev. C. S. Nutter, of St. Albans, was elected a member of the executive committee.

The commission assembled to determine what denominations shall be assigned to the charge of certain small parishes which can support only one church.

APPARENT DISCREPANCY.

Shafsbury's Town Treasurer Is Not Charged With Dishonesty, However.

Bennington, Dec. 24.—The accounts of town treasurer Myron Barton of Shafsbury are involved, and although there is no charge of dishonesty against the treasurer there is an apparent discrepancy of \$4,800. The accounts running over a long term of years have become so mixed that it is hard work to straighten them out. A committee has been appointed to investigate the accounts, and report at the annual meeting in March.

CHARGE OF HORSE STEALING.

Edward Berry of Standeard, Que., Arrested at Shelburne.

Burlington, Dec. 23.—Sheriff E. H. Horton today arrested Edward Berry of Standeard, Que., at Shelburne on the charge of stealing a horse and wagon from Philo Percival of Shelburne. The rig was found this morning by the roadside. Berry broke into a barn, it is said, and drove some distance with the horse. He found the roads too slippery for the horse and abandoned it.

SURVEY COMPLETED.

Proposed Spur of Central Vermont to Bethel Quarries Under Consideration.

Bethel, Dec. 24.—The survey of the proposed spur of the Central Vermont road from Bethel station to the Ellis white granite quarries, involving some four miles of track, has been completed and the matter is at present under advisement with the management.

One New Case of Small Pox.

Bristol, Dec. 23.—Health Officer Palmer reports the small pox situation today as follows: One new case, Fred Litch, on North street; one released from quarantine, Mrs. Bancroft; seven cases are now under treatment.

RANDOLPH.

Henry Grant of Washington has purchased of his brother, V. I. Grant, the latter's farm on Fish Hill. Henry Grant will not take possession until spring. V. I. Grant will remain on the farm this winter but has not fully decided as to where he will locate in the spring.

Elmer N. Bean, who fell and injured his leg while deer hunting several months ago, has been having a very serious time since. About a month ago he underwent an operation and had his shin bone scraped and some of the outer covering of the bone removed. The operation was thought to be very successful but about a week ago another abscess formed and a second operation was necessary. Just at present Mr. Bean is getting on nicely and his friends hope to see him around in a few weeks.

Tree and Entertainment.

The Presbyterian Sabbath School will have a Christmas tree and entertainment this Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. Those desiring to put articles on the tree will please send them to the church sometime during Thursday afternoon. The parents and the friends of the children are cordially invited to the festivities.

Song by school, "Immanuel the Mighty," Jennie Melville.
Song by school, "Through Bright Hallelujahs," Gifts for Mrs. Santa's Stocking.
Solo, Alice Walker.
Song by school, "Hail Happy Christmas,"
Recitation, "A Little Maid Ann L."
Song by little children, "Will the Frosty Air with Song."
Dialogue, "The Way to Spend Christmas,"
Recitation, "Send a Ray of Light,"
Recitation, "A Christmas Dream,"
Song by school, "Ring, oh Ring, Ye Joy Bells,"
Dialogue, "God's Word is True,"
Recitation, "A Christmas Joy Mission,"
Song by school, "Bethlehem Star,"
Recitation, "A Note to Santa Claus,"
Song by school, "Shine Forth O Star of Glory."

STEAMER
WAS SUNKSeveral Passengers Re-
ported Missing.

BOAT STRUCK ON ROCKS

Passengers, Excepting Six, Were Taken
From the Boat Which Rested
On Rocks.

Norwalk, Conn., Dec. 24.—The steamer Erastus Corning, plying between New Haven and New York, ran on Cops Rock off Norwalk at 1:30 this morning and stove a big hole in her underbody and sank. The passengers, 30 in number, took to the small boats, but put back to the Corning after she had settled as two of the boats were found to be leaking. One boat, containing four women and two men is missing. The women were in their night clothes and it is thought they made land on some nearby island and are safe. The Corning this morning is resting on the rocks with the water covering her main deck. The passengers saved few effects, taking to the small boats in their night clothes.

THE CORSON MINING COMPANY.

Scheme Proposed at Meeting in Boston Yesterday.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 24.—A meeting of stockholders in the Corson Gold Mining company, called by George Franklin Willey, was held in Young's hotel, Boston, yesterday forenoon. The invitation was not general, only a few being invited by Mr. Willey. Twelve stockholders responded to the call and every one of them, so far as anything developed at the meeting was concerned, was in sympathy with the officers of the company, in their efforts to lead the company out of the difficulties in which it is involved. The meeting was adjourned to this forenoon in Manchester.

There was no discordant note in the proceedings and at the close of the meeting Mr. Willey said that he considered the prospects rosy for an early settlement of all outstanding obligations. Capt. J. W. Johnson of Seattle and Nome, the holder of the much talked of mortgage on the property of the company, was present. He spoke highly of the mining property and said that he was willing to surrender any claim he might have as soon as the \$6,400 due him was paid.

Mr. Willey said that the total liabilities of the company was between \$15,000 and \$20,000, the Johnson claim included, and he proposed a scheme to raise the entire amount by making a pool of a controlling block of stock, on which money was to be raised by sale, each contributor to the pool to give a pro rata share toward the liquidation.

VERMONT INSURANCE RATES.

Highest and Lowest Prices in the State for Ten Years.

The Insurance Press for Dec. 23, gives the figures for fire insurance rates in the United States for the past ten years. The rates given are the average for the state cited. Vermont's figures are as follows:

1893	\$1.47
1894	1.51
1895	1.45
1896	1.60
1897	1.48
1898	1.47
1899	1.41
1900	1.34
1901	1.26
1902	1.47

Highest (1896)	1.60
Lowest (1900)	1.34
Average 22 yrs. (1880-1901)	1.37

CROTO CASE PUT OVER.

East Montpelier Man, Charged With Murder, Is Being Observed.

Montpelier, Dec. 24.—The case of state vs. Bartholomew Croto, who is charged with murdering Peter Vorrone near his home on the East Montpelier road, will not be tried during this term of county court. Croto is now in the state asylum at Waterbury for observations as to his sanity. State's Attorney Senter stated yesterday afternoon that he intended to try the cases of Charles Zanleoni and Angelo Scampini, charged with violation of their wholesale liquor licenses, right away. The former of the respondents was in court yesterday afternoon according to the summons of the court.

NO PAPER TOMORROW.

Times Will Observe Christmas Day With Everyone Else.

Tomorrow, Christmas day, the Times will not publish. Saturday's paper will give a full report of all the doings of the day.

New Opera House for Burlington.

Burlington, Dec. 24.—That Burlington will have a new opera house within the coming year and that it will be a structure large enough to accommodate state conventions and other bodies that may wish to meet in Burlington is almost a certainty.

PRISONERS
ON THE STAGEHouse of Correction In-
mates Did Finely.

MUCH TALENT SHOWN.

D. H. Lewis, Vergennes Bank Wrecker,
Was End Man, Marvin A. McClure
Was Head Usher.

Rutland, Dec. 24.—The minstrel show given by the prisoners of the house of correction last evening was a great success. The characters were all prisoners, many taking female parts. D. Henry Lewis, the Vergennes bank wrecker, acted as end man of the minstrels. Marvin A. McClure, convicted of complicity in wrecking the Merchants National Bank of Rutland was head usher. Farrar, the defaulting teller of the Waterbury National Bank acted as interloper. Much talent was shown.

MIDNIGHT MASS.

Special Music Has Been Prepared for Service at St. Monica's Church.

The annual midnight service in commemoration of the birth hour of the Saviour, will be held tonight at St. Monica's church. Special music has been prepared by the choir under the able direction of Mr. Gale. The different parts of the mass will be sung as follows:

Kyrie, in G.	Adolphe Fiddis.	Millard's
Gloria in Excelsis Deo, in G.	Millard's	Millard's
Veni Creator.	Millard's	Millard's

Credo, Sanctus, Agnus Dei.

The soloists will be Miss Mary Fallon, Miss Rose Cook, Miss Theresa Scott, Mr. Gale, Thomas Hamel, Norris Hamel, William McTurk and George Jacques.

Mixed Quartette—Messrs. Thomas and Norris Hamel, William McTurk and Geo. Jacques.

Mixed Quartette, T. Hamel and Mr. Gale, Miss Fallon and Miss Scott. All desiring to attend the services are cordially invited.

On Friday evening an excellent entertainment will be given at the Christmas tree in the basement of the church by the Sunday school children at 7:30 o'clock. By special request the altar boys club will repeat their very successful farce presented recently at the bazaar:

Sleighbell echoes, Children's Choir; address, Susie Nichols; Little Grandmother, Juveniles; Recitation, Holly, Kathleen Miles; Concert recitation, Sunday school children; Merry Bootblack, action song, Junior boys; Recitation, Little Tot, Clara Miles; Recitation, Little Boys' Plea, Walter Tierney; Tail Top Hats, motion song, Senior Boys; Song with pantomime, Star of the East; Recitation, Christmas Tree, Jennie McKernan; Farce, Nigger Night School, Altar Boys.

The cast of characters in the farce is as follows:

Dr. Snow	Era White
Zekke Johnson	Walter Scott
Pete Smart	J. Edward Scott
Ran Snow	John Nelson
Andy White	Jos. Nelson
Deborah	Fred Bressan

FUNERAL OF JEMIMA TRAIL.

Held This Afternoon From the Episcopal Church.

The funeral of Miss Jemima Trail was held at 1 o'clock this afternoon from the Episcopal church, Rev. Brian C. Roberts officiating. There was a large gathering of mourning friends, especially of the younger friends and companions of the deceased who was very popular and much loved. There were many beautiful floral tributes.

The pall bearers were Alex. Emslie, Edward Anderson, Duncan McMillan, John Emslie, Andrew MacKay and James Robertson. The interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

PRESENTED \$1,000.

Heaton Hospital Remembered by Ira C. Calf.

Montpelier, Dec. 24.—Ira C. Calf of Washington, has presented to Heaton Hospital a Christmas present in the form of \$1,000, making his total contributions to this institution \$10,000.

Famine in Paris Likely.

Paris, Dec. 24.—The strike here of men employed in the various branches of food supply has begun to assume serious proportions. The bakers assembled at the Labor Exchange and adopted resolutions in favor of a strike throughout the baking trade, declaring in favor of a general strike in all the branches of alimentation and announcing their intention not to resume work until parliament suppressed the municipal employment agencies. The extent to which the other food workers will join in the strike is still problematical, but the indications are that a considerable number of butchers, grocers and pastry cooks will take part in it.

Fire in Troy, N. Y.

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Fire in the Cronin building, occupied by insurance companies, lawyers and the Model Clothing company, caused damage to the extent of \$25,000.

SECOND CRIBBAGE
SERIES FINISHED

Red Men and Clan Gordon Won at
Four Tables Each Last
Evening.

The second series of games in the cribbage league was finished last night with a match between the Red Men and Clan Gordon teams which resulted in an even split, each winning four games.

The F. of A. team wins the second series by a per cent. of 546. There will be no more games until after New Years.

The result by tables last night was as follows: John Melver and Wm. Brown, C. G., defeated I. E. Wright and J. Dunbrouskie, R. M.; D. W. Smith and James Ried, C. G., defeated J. Marshall and J. Duncan, R. M.; George Troupe and James Paterson, C. G., defeated George Duncan and D. Blake, R. M.; James Mackay and Robert Inglis, C. G., defeated Frank Webster and J. M. Lind, R. M.

Robert Murphy and Wm. Burns, R. M., defeated Robert Shaw and D. McLeod, C. G.; Peter Laxon and Alfred Robertson, R. M., defeated James Hector and Clarke Williams, C. G.; W. H. Bradbury and G. Black, R. M., defeated C. Keith and J. Will, C. G.; Andrew Orr and Alex. Ross, R. M., defeated George Ralph and Wm. Dawson, C. G.

The standing to date is as follows:

P. W. L. Pct.	
F. of A.	04 35 29 .546
Red Men	04 34 30 .531
Clan Gordon	04 32 32 .500
L. O. O. F.	04 30 34 .458
C. O. F.	04 28 36 .437

CRIBBAGE AT GRANITEVILLE.

C. O. F. Team Is Still in the Lead in Standing.

Graniteville, Dec. 24.—The present series of cribbage games was finished last night when the C. O. F. team defeated the Modern Woodmen by the large score of 399. The games will be resumed the first Monday in January when the F. of A. and C. O. F. meet.

The standing is as follows:

P. W. L. Total	
C. O. F.	6 4 50290
F. of A.	4 6 55838
M. W. of A.	5 5 55594

THE REV. FR. HICKEY
GOES TO SPRINGFIELD

Appointed Pastor of the Catholic Church
There—Rev. Eugene Cray to
Succeed Him.

The Rev. Father Hickey, who has been assistant pastor at St. Monica's church in this city during the past year, has been appointed by the Rt. Rev. J. S. Michaud of Burlington, to be pastor of the Church of the Maternity of the Blessed Virgin at Springfield, to succeed the Rev. Father Cahill, who will go to Washington, D. C., to take a course in the Catholic University. He will be succeeded here by Rev. Eugene Cray of Waterbury, who was on Saturday ordained to the priesthood at Montreal.

The Rev. Father Hickey has made a large number of friends during his short stay in Barre, and the best wishes of all of them go with him to his new pastorate.

WALKER-HANSON.

Barre Business Man Marries Montpelier Young Lady.

Montpelier, Dec. 24.—George Walker, Jr., of Barre, and Miss Ethel N. Hanson of this city, were united in marriage at 7:30 o'clock last evening, at the home of George Seaver, 9 Fullerton Avenue, by the Rev. T. H. Mitchell of Barre. Only a few of the immediate friends of the contracting parties were present. The bride was becomingly gowned in white lace and carried Jacqueminot roses.

She was attended by Mrs. Leo Seaver, while Mr. Leo Seaver acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Walker left last night for Boston where they will spend the holidays, returning to Montpelier to reside for the winter at 9 Fullerton Avenue. Both the bride and groom are well known in Barre. The former was a student at Goddard Seminary a short time ago, and was also employed as clerk in Gilley & Abbott's store. The groom is a member of the firm of George Walker & Sons, granite manufacturers.

SPEAR-CLOUGH.

Pretty Wedding at Groton on Tuesday.

Groton, Dec. 23.—A pretty home wedding occurred on Tuesday afternoon when Miss Eva, daughter of Rev. G. W. Clough, was united in marriage to Guy C. Spear of Randolph. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bride. Both young people are well known in town where they have a wide circle of friends. Mr. Spear at one time was principal of the high school in town and Miss Clough has been a teacher in the graded school for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Spear left town on the afternoon train yesterday on their wedding trip.

EDMUND-HUNT.

M. J. McGowan's Book-keeper Married Tuesday.

Arnold Edmund, bookkeeper for Martin J. McGowan, was married at Derby Tuesday evening, to Miss Helen Hunt. Mr. and Mrs. Edmund returned to Barre last evening, and will reside on Jefferson street.

Casarico-Fruzzetti.

Emilio Casarico and Miss Augustine Fruzzetti were united in marriage at 6:30 o'clock last evening at the home of the bride's parents at 35 Granite street by Justice B. H. Wells.

GARETTO GETS
TEN YEARSFor Shooting Eli Corti in
Barre Rows

TOOK SENTENCE COOLLY

Convicted Man Showed Little Sign of
Emotion When Sentence Was
Pronounced.

Montpelier, Dec. 24.—Leaning forward with an air of anxious expectancy and firmly grasping the rail in front of him, Alexander Garetto stood in county court late yesterday afternoon and received the sentence of "not less than ten nor more than twelve years at hard labor in the state's prison," for shooting and killing Eli Corti in a row between the Socialists and anarchists at the Socialist building in Barre the night of October 3 last. There was a deathlike stillness in the court room while Judge Stafford was pronouncing sentence, not a sound being heard except the even, clear tones of the judge as he deliberately gave the decision which had been reached after consultation with the side judges.

After receiving the sentence the prisoner dropped back into his chair and appeared to ponder the announcement. There was scarcely a change in his countenance unless it be that the look of anxiety was somewhat relaxed. Outside of a slight nervousness Garetto showed no signs of losing his composure. Then a few faithful friends gathered about him, and endeavored to cheer him, before he was led from the court room by two officers.

The big crowd which had completely filled the room when the jury brought in the verdict of manslaughter had nearly all gone, and but few were present when the court came to pronounce sentence. Mrs. Garetto, wife of the prisoner, who had been a daily attendant on the trial was not in the room, nor was Mrs. Corti, widow of the man who was shot, when Garetto was commanded to stand, after his attorney, Fred L. Laird, had made a plea for leniency.

"Have you anything to say why sentence of the law should not be pronounced on you?" said the judge, and the prisoner, prompted by his attorney, answered "No." Judge Stafford said that the verdict of the jury showed that they considered the respondent had shot Eli Corti intentionally, but because he was in a passion, not from malice aforethought. The respondent went to the hall armed and into the meeting with a revolver in his pocket, ready for such an emergency as this. The judge spoke briefly of the magnitude of the offense, and stated that the revised statutes placed the maximum sentence as life imprisonment and the minimum as one year. He then imposed sentence.

A member of the jury stated to a Times representative that the jury had no great difficulty in coming to an agreement on the verdict of guilty of manslaughter. The jury was out from 9:30 a. m. to 2:43 p. m. One of Garetto's friends expressed disappointment that the accused man had not been acquitted, but the verdict and sentence are both considered favorable for Garetto by those who have been following the progress of the case from an impartial standpoint.

The convicted man is 39 years of age, and if his sentence is carried out he will be just a few months less than 30 years old when he comes out of prison. He is a man of large physique, 5 feet and ten inches tall, and weighing about 185 pounds. Although comparatively young his hair is somewhat sprinkled with gray. His imprisonment of nearly three months from the time of his arrest to the present and the consequent anxieties have not served to interfere with his health, and he is to-day as well as he was on Oct. 3 last. Mrs. Garetto and the adopted child will probably remain in Barre, said a friend of the man yesterday.

Garetto's trade is that of a tool sharpener, and in that capacity he has worked in various shops in Barre, where he has always had the reputation of being a quiet, inoffensive citizen. The crime for which he will spend the next ten years of his life was the shooting of Eli Corti, a member of the firm of Novelli & Corti, granite carvers. The shooting occurred during a general row at the Socialist block on granite street, in Barre, during which row several persons were more or less injured. Garetto is under indictment for assault with intent to kill one Vichini, at the same time and place. Yesterday afternoon the case was ordered brought forward. It is not swept from the docket, but still stands against Garetto, although it is likely that the case will never be tried.

There are several other cases growing out of the same row between Socialists and anarchists, but it is hardly expected that the persons under indictment will be tried at this term of court. The alleged offenses are breach of the peace, the men arrested on the charge being out on bail. Garetto will not be taken to Windsor until next week to give him time to make preparations for the support of his family.

HARKNESS PLEADS GUILTY.

Montpelier Physician Charged With Forgery, Will Be Sentenced Monday.

Montpelier, Dec. 24.—Dr. Waldo R. Harkness charged with forgery, was taken before county court yesterday afternoon. He withdrew his plea of not guilty, made some time ago, and pleaded guilty. According to the request of his attorney, W. A. Lord, sentence will be delayed until Monday. Dr. Harkness has been out on bail.